

**Abstract**

A postage system comprised of a processing system and a printing system is disclosed. The processing system processes postage information to generate a print signal. Examples of postage information include a postage amount, a date, an origination address, a destination address, and security information. The processing system transfers the print signal to the printing system. The printing system prints visible marks on a mail piece responsive to the print signal. The printing system also prints non-visible marks on the mail piece responsive to the print signal. The visible marks and the non-visible marks indicate postage evidence for the mail piece.

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